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Attention: Agenda Preparation

FROM: ADRIENNE M. BYERS  
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RE: **Item for the Board of Supervisors' Agenda**  
**County Claims Board Recommendation**  
**Angelena Sandifor, et al. v. County of Los Angeles, et al.**  
**United States District Court Case No. CV-18-07650**

Attached is the Agenda entry for the Los Angeles County Claims Board's recommendation regarding the above-referenced matter. Also attached is the Case Summary to be made available to the public.

It is requested that this recommendation and the Case Summary be placed on the Board of Supervisors' agenda.

AMB:vc

Attachments

## Board Agenda

### MISCELLANEOUS COMMUNICATIONS

Los Angeles County Claims Board's recommendation: Authorize settlement of the matter entitled Angelena Sandifor, et al. v. County of Los Angeles, et al., United States District Court Case No. CV-18-07650 in the amount of \$1,700,000 and instruct the Auditor-Controller to draw a warrant to implement this settlement from the Sheriff's Department's budget.

This lawsuit concerns allegations of sexual assault by a Sheriff Deputy.

## CASE SUMMARY

### INFORMATION ON PROPOSED SETTLEMENT OF LITIGATION

CASE NAME	Angelena Sandifor, et al. v. County of Los Angeles, et al.
CASE NUMBER	CV-18-07650
COURT	United States District Court
DATE FILED	August 31, 2018
COUNTY DEPARTMENT	Sheriff's Department
PROPOSED SETTLEMENT AMOUNT	\$ 1,700,000
ATTORNEY FOR PLAINTIFF	Justin Edward Sterling, Esq.
COUNTY COUNSEL ATTORNEY	Millicent L. Rolon, Principal Deputy County Counsel
NATURE OF CASE	<p>This is a recommendation to settle for a total of \$1,700,000, inclusive of attorneys' fees and costs, a lawsuit filed by Angelena Sandifor, Brenda Blandon, and Jamie Utterback, alleging that they were sexually assaulted by Los Angeles County Sheriff's Deputy Giancarlo Scotti while they were incarcerated at the Century Regional Detention Facility ("CRDF").</p> <p>Given the risks and uncertainties of litigation, a reasonable settlement at this time will avoid further litigation costs. The full and final settlement of the case in the amount of \$1,700,000 is recommended.</p>
PAID ATTORNEY FEES, TO DATE	\$ 145,325
PAID COSTS, TO DATE	\$ 11,016